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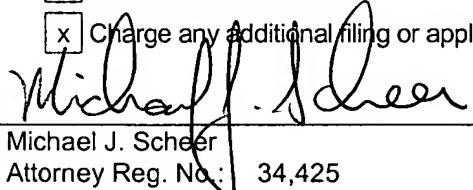
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Invention: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, METHOD FOR UTILIZING THE SAME AND  
PROGRAM FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
<b>Total Claims</b>	10	- 20 =	0	x 50.00	0.00
<b>Independent Claims</b>	3	- 3 =	0	x 200.00	0.00
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<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>					0.00

 Large Entity Small Entity No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING  
APPARATUS, METHOD FOR UTILIZING  
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APPARATUS

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Examiner: T. Chen

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**FEE CALCULATION**

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

If checked, Small Entity status is claimed

	No. Claims After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Extra Present		Rate	Additional Fee
Total	10	MINUS	20**	=	0	X	50.00	\$
Indep.	3	MINUS	3**	=	0	X	200.00	\$
First presentation of multiple dependent claim(s)					X			\$
TOTAL							\$ -0-	

\* not less than 20

\*\* not less than 3

In the event the actual fee is greater than the payment submitted or is inadvertently not enclosed or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

**CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.